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Application of: Kirakossian et al. Confirmation No.: 2462  
Serial No.: 10/765,773 Art Unit: 1641  
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For: BIOMARKER DETECTION IN Attorney Docket No.: 11068-145-999  
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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER  
TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

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Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated September 11, 2006 of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting claims 1-3, 9-10, and 13-16 of the above-identified application.

The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

1. ☒ An extension of time for responding to the final rejection for 2 month(s):  
☐ was filed on  
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3. ☒ A fee in the amount of \$500.00 is:  
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☐ Not required (Fee paid in prior appeal).
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Respectfully submitted,

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